

PROHIBITION.

For the gratification of our Readers, and all who are interested in this work, we shall give them clearly to understand our position. As we have been requested to do so as the following will show: Given to us by one, we take as a bosom friend.

Please read,

QUESTION NO 5

Dear Bro. Garrett.

I do not remember reading anything in the CRESSET lately regarding the Editor's views on Prohibition, but I think I am safe in saying that whatever stand Bro. Garrett takes on any subject, he is justified from a Biblical standpoint. He has probably not gotten around to this question yet, being so busy leading the good fight for other needed reforms.

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While we hesitate to give our positions on questions in dispute yet when we are called on, we then do so with all the pride we have in the love of Christ.

We must say that there is an extreme to both sides of every question, that has two sides to it. We recollect of reading where Christ had His Apostles up in an upper room, and after they eat, He began to wash their feet and when He came to Peter and was ready to wash Peter's feet—Peter said, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Peter here lacked and did not go far enough. But when Christ told him unless he washed his feet, he would have no lot or part with Christ. Then Peter went to an extreme, that is too far, and said not only my feet, but my hands and head.

This we say was an extreme in Peter—First not far enough, last too far. And so it is on the question before us.

There is a right place in every thing and for every man and woman, who have come to the years of accountability.

In the very out-start of our position we wish to say that we are proud that we can say that we live in the land that has been called; The Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave.

A land where our fore-fathers many of them bit the

dust in death, to give us this free country. And yet again we are sorry and feel sad, to say, that many of those Liberties has been taken from us. And at present, we have a partial chain of thralldom on our necks.

Wherefore, we take our stand by the side of right. We shall and do condemn any law that comes or in any way stands in opposition to the Law of God.

For God has said to us thru his word that it should be a lamp to our feet and a light to our pathway. This law is Liberty. For Paul said, "Stand fast in the Liberty wherewith Christ hath made you free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." This law will keep us free from the law of sin and death. This law is a prohibitory to every thing that comes in opposition to God's will. And for this law to be put strictly in force, we must do God's will here on earth as it is done by the angels in heaven.

As long as the advocates of prohibition, stay in the bounds of the law of God, we are then with them heart and hand.

But whenever they undertake to go to an extreme, then we are on the other hand. For we believe every advocate of good should walk under the Law of the Spirit of Life, and that law says "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess." You will see from our conversation, that we believe in Prohibition. But this Prohibition must come under the law of the Spirit. We know and am persuaded that the heart of many a poor mother is made to bleed, on the account of her wayward son, that if he was prohibited the privilege of drinking, she might be saved of those sad hours. And too, there might be a many a wife, saved of sad and lonesome hours, and her children have bread. But with all this in view we could not suffer ourselves to help put a guard over the one who did not need one. For this cause we plead with the advocates of Prohibition to take up the perfect Law of the Spirit and we will help you fight the law of darkness with all the Power that God gives us, thru the Columns of "THE WORLD'S CRESSET" we will come again soon.

Those Days Must Come.

Text:

"For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem.

I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land." (Joel 3-1-2.)

There is hundreds of people who say that the Old Testament scriptures are all fulfilled, and done away with. In what days will our Text be fulfilled? It must be in the days of restitution. For God says before this time comes, He says:

"And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God, and none else; and my people shall never be ashamed." (Joel 2-27.)

There must be a restitution before the time of our Text can be completely fulfilled. The years that the locust, the canker worm, the caterpillar, and the palmer worm, has destroyed must be restored. For Christ has said: concerning his 2nd. coming.

"Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began." (Acts 3-21.)

How useless it is for any man who claim to be a Bible reader, to say that all the Old Testament scriptures are fulfilled. When Peter said that the heavens must receive Christ until all be fulfilled that was spoken by all the Holy Prophets since the world began. So let us see Christ at the right hand of his Father until the restitution of all things. For God has said.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea." (Isa. 11-11.)

His hand set in the earth the second time, Will bring about a restitution of all things. But before all this comes to pass, God said:

"Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up;

Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears; let the weak say I am strong.

Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about; thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O Lord." [Joel 3-9-10-11.]

We are now in this time of war. A great portion of the European country is under the bands of war. They are called christian nations. But according to the word those nations at war can not be christian nations. Nothing but heathen nations will fight and war. For Christ said to Peter, put up thy sword, "I send you forth as sheep among wolves, be ye wise as serpents and as harmless as doves."

No war in this language, No preparing for war there. No killing there, for Christ said. "Thou shalt not kill." Yet God said that they would so far forget him that they would kill one another. And for this reason God said.

"Woe unto them! for they have fled from me: destruction unto them, because they have transgressed against me; though I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lies against me." Hosea 7-13.

Also please read 15 & 16 yrs.

Our political party men in this country says, "we must get up such and such men and elect them by ballot, and they will give good times to us"—This too is rot, For God Almighty has laid down the law, and His law is the only law, that will win and bring to us peace and happiness.

For Christ said,

"For it is written, As I live saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me and every tongue shall confess to God." Rom. 14-11.

We know that this time has not been fulfilled yet. And there is no mistake, but what it is a prophesy and repeated by Paul, please read the prophesy,

"I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return. That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear." Isa. 45-23;

To day there is too many who are bowing their knees to the root of all evil, and following after the fruits of it more than they are the God of heaven.

And by this their pursuit brings on wars, bloodshed, misery and want. But glory to God for the time when they must beat their swords into plowshares, please read.

"And he shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people, and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation neither shall they learn war any more." Isa. 2-4.

When this beautiful government comes, there will be no more bloodshed, and no more war. The Republican party, the Democratic party, the Socialist party and all other political parties presetting themselves as a political party, has never and will never bring about such a government, as long as the profit system and the money power rules. But we are proud to know that God Almighty is going to take a hand in stopping satan from bringing distress up on the people by war and many other ways, and God will bring to pass, this fact.

"Behold the eyes of the Lord God are upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth saving, that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob saith the Lord.

For lo, I will command and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations like as corn is sifted in a sieve yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth.

All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword which say the evil shall not overtake me prevent us.

In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will build it as in the days of old; (Amos, 9-8-11)

There will be no manism in this government. For God has said.

"Behold the days come saith the Lord that the city shall be built to the Lord from the tower of Hananeel unto the gate of the corner.

And the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it upon the hill Gareb and shall compass about to Goath.

And the whole valley of the dead bodies and of the ashes and all the fields unto the brook of Kidron unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east shall be holy unto the Lord it shall not be plucked up nor thrown down any more for ever." (Jer. 31-38-40)

For God says,

"For brass I will bring gold and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass and for stones iron I will also make thy officers peace and thine exactors righteousness.

Violence shall no more be heard in thy land wasting nor destruction within thy borders but thou shalt call thy wall salvation and thy gates Praise.

The sun shall be no more thy light by day neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee; but the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light and thy God thy glory.

Thy sun shall no more go down neither shall thy moon withdraw itself for the Lord shall be thine everlasting light and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

Thy people also shall be all righteous they shall inherit the land for ever the branch of my hands that I may be glorified." (Isa. 60-17-21)

Peace then shall come like a flowing river. Not from political parties. But by the law going forth of Zion and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem. These days must come and those things prophesied of, must be fulfilled in and thru the restitution of all things under the government of Bible Socialism.

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